## **Montana Discovery Foundation**

## \*\*POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT\*\*

## SUMMER FIELD INSTRUCTOR

**PAY:** Field instructor will be paid \$14.50/hr. for a maximum of 320 hours.

**WHO:** The Montana Discovery Foundation announces (1) **opening** for **summer field instructor** in the **Youth Forest Monitoring Program**. This program teaches high school students the concepts of forest ecology and monitoring techniques for stream, vegetation, wildlife and soil health on the Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest.

**WHAT:** The summer field instructor position is responsible for supervising and transporting teams of 3-6 high school students to forest monitoring sites in the Helena, Townsend, and Lincoln area. The instructor supervises student time divided between outdoor fieldwork and indoor data analyses and reporting.

**WHERE:** The field instructor position is based in Helena. Lodging is not provided.

WHEN: The field instructor position runs June 1<sup>st</sup> – July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The instructor is also requested to assist with student hiring in April for limited and flexible hours (1 afternoon/evening). One overnight stay is part of the position: a backpack trip into the Scapegoat Wilderness July 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>. Hours of work are Mondays – Thursdays 8:00am- 5:15pm, Fridays 9am – noon.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Science and/or education background requested. Excellent communication and writing skills needed. This position works both in the field and the computer lab, and experience working with youth ages 14-18 is required. The successful applicant will have a current driver's license and clean driving record. Must be able to attain a federal drivers' license, pass a background check, and take Defensive Driver training.

**HOW:** To apply, please submit letter of intent, brief resumé, and three references. Interviews will follow initial application process. All materials should be postmarked by Friday, March 26th, 2021 and sent to: Montana Discovery Foundation, YFMP Instructor Search, 2880 Skyway Drive, Helena, MT 59602 or emailed to Liz Burke, YFMP Manager at <a href="mailto:elizabeth.a.burke@usda.gov">elizabeth.a.burke@usda.gov</a> by 5 p.m. March 26, 2021.

## **QUESTIONS:** Check out the YFMP website at:

https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/helena/workingtogether/volunteering/

Please contact: Liz Burke, YFMP Manager (406)495-3713 or

elizabeth.a.burke@usda.gov for more information.

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YFMP students collecting field data in July 2020

We are implementing a number of safety protocols for Covid-19, including mandatory mask use, vehicle and equipment cleaning protocols, social distancing, and daily health screening procedure. Learn more about these protocols here:

http://www.montanadiscoveryfoundation.org/programs/yfmp/

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